

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

FREDERICK LEE BAKER,

Petitioner,

v.

BEN CURRY, Warden,

Respondent.

No. C 07-06289 CW (PR)

ORDER (1) DIRECTING RESPONDENT TO FILE RESPONSE TO PETITIONER'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND PETITION; (2) ADDRESSING ISSUE INVOLVING TRANSFER OF PETITIONER'S PRIOR HABEAS ACTION IN THE CENTRAL DISTRICT TO THIS COURT

On December 12, 2007, Petitioner, a state prisoner, filed this petition for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. The Court issued an order requiring Respondent to show cause why the petition for a writ of habeas corpus should not be granted. On July 14, 2008, Respondent filed a motion to dismiss the petition. Petitioner filed an opposition, and Respondent filed a reply.

Before the Court is Petitioner's "Motion for Permission for Leave to Amend the Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 15(a)" (docket no. 26) in which Petitioner seeks to amend his petition "to include exhaustion of state appellate court remedies . . . " (Mot. to Am. Pet. at 1.) Attached to Petitioner's motion is the October 10, 2008 decision by the California Court of Appeal denying his state habeas petition. (Mot. to Am. Pet., Ex. Z(2).) Also attached is Petitioner's state habeas petition filed in the appellate court on September 30, 2008. (Id.)

The certificate of service shows the motion for leave to amend the petition was served on the Office of the Attorney General. 7 8

Respondent shall file a response to the motion for leave to amend the petition within <u>fourteen (14) days</u> of the date of this Order. Petitioner may file a reply within <u>thirty (30) days</u> of the date of his receipt of the response.

The Court further notes that in 2006 Petitioner filed a habeas action in the United States District Court for the Central District of California. See Baker v. Kane, No. 06-cv-01323-JSL-MAN (C.D. Cal. Nov. 25, 2006) (habeas petition filed). In an Order dated December 4, 2006, Magistrate Judge Margaret A. Nagle transferred Petitioner's prior habeas action to this Court. (Dec. 4, 2006 Transfer Order in Central District Case No. 06-cv-01323-JSL-MAN.) However, to date, that action has not been transferred to this Court. Therefore, this matter must be corrected. Pursuant to Magistrate Judge Nagle's December 4, 2006 Order, the Clerk of the Central District Court of California is ordered to TRANSFER Petitioner's prior action filed under Central District Case No. 06-cv-01323-JSL-MAN forthwith to this Court.

The Clerk of the Court is directed to send a copy of this Order to the Clerk of the Central District Court of California.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: 2/2/09

CLAUDIA WILKEN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 1 FOR THE 2 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 3 FREDERICK L. BAKER, 4 Case Number: CV07-06289 CW Plaintiff, 5 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** v. 6 BEN CURRY et al, 7 Defendant. 8 9 I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am an employee in the Office of the Clerk, U.S. District Court, Northern District of California. 10 That on February 2, 2009, I SERVED a true and correct copy(ies) of the attached, by placing said 11 copy(ies) in a postage paid envelope addressed to the person(s) hereinafter listed, by depositing said envelope in the U.S. Mail, or by placing said copy(ies) into an inter-office delivery receptacle located 12 in the Clerk's office. 13 14 Amanda Jane Murray Denise Alayne Yates 15 Office of the Attorney General 455 Golden Gate Avenue, Suite 11000 16 San Francisco, CA 94102-7004 17 Frederick Lee Baker C-22918 18 **Correctional Training Facility** P.O. Box 689 19 Soledad, CA 93960-0689 20 Clerk, U.S. District Court Central District of California 21 826 Edward R. Roybal Federal Building and Courthouse 22 255 East Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012-3332 23 Dated: February 2, 2009 24 Richard W. Wieking, Clerk By: Sheilah Cahill, Deputy Clerk 25 26 27